RWQCB REGION REGION 5 – CENTRAL VALLEY

CALTRANS DISTRICTS 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 10

COUNTIES REDDING: District 2: Western Lassen, western Modoc (except

northwestern portion), Plumas, Shasta, southeastern Siskiyou

Tehama; and District 3: Butte.

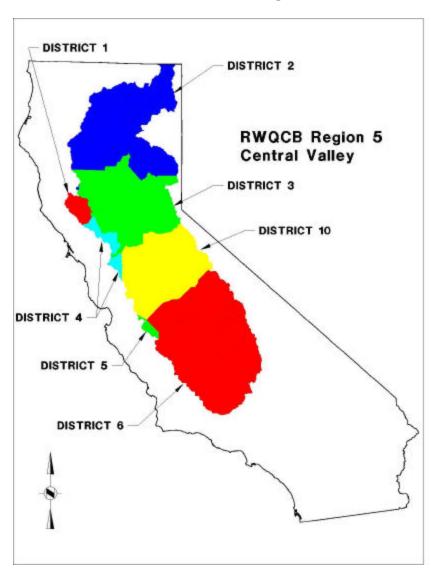
SACRAMENTO: District 1: Southern Lake; District 3: Colusa, Glenn (except

northwestern portion), western El Dorado, western Nevada, western Placer, Sacramento, western Sierra, Sutter, Yolo, Yuba; District 4: Eastern Alameda, eastern Contra Costa, eastern Napa, eastern Solano; and District 10: Western Alpine, Amador, Calaveras, San Joaquin, Stanislaus, and

Tuolumne.

FRESNO: District 6: Fresno, Kings, western Kern, Madera, Tulare; and

District 10: Mariposa, and Merced.



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NPDES Permitting Requirements for Dewatering Discharges:

Discharges consisting solely of storm water (accumulated precipitation) or *minor discharges* of non-storm water (groundwater, water from cofferdams, water diversions, etc.) containing sediment as the only pollutant, are allowed to be discharged under the NPDES Statewide Permit for Caltrans, as described in Section 3.6. As described in Section 2.3, a minor discharge in Region 5 is defined as less than 0.25 mgd and 4 months duration.

Major discharges of non-storm water, or storm water or non-storm water discharges containing pollutants other than sediment, require a dewatering permit from the RWQCB. The RWQCB has issued a general NPDES dewatering permit under Order No. 5-00-175.

General NPDES Dewatering Permit(s):

Permit: Order No.: 5-00-175. Order 99-08-DWQ

Title: "Waste Discharge Requirements General Order for Dewatering and

Other Low Threat Discharges to Surface Waters"

Covers: For miscellaneous public and private businesses discharging clean or

relatively pollutant-free wastewater that (1) lasts four months or less in duration, or (2) for which the average dry weather discharge does not exceed 0.25 mgd. Minor discharges include construction dewatering, condensate, water supply system, miscellaneous dewatering, well development, pumping, tank pressure testing, and

pipeline testing or flushing.

How to Apply: Submit Notice of Intent (NOI) and annual fee.

General

Requirements: Monitoring and reporting required as defined "Monitoring and Reporting Program"

specifications of the permit and as defined in the RWQCB Discharge Authorization Letter. Requirements are based on the duration of the discharge (greater than or less than four months). Plan required for submittal for multi-point discharges.